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**MEMO ENDORSED**

**VIA ECF**

Hon. Valerie E. Caproni  
Thurgood Marshall  
United States Courthouse  
40 Foley Square  
New York, NY 10007

*Re: M.L., v. N.Y.C Dep't of Educ., 23-cv-6836 (VEC)*

Dear Judge Caproni:

We represent Defendant in the above-referenced action wherein Plaintiff seeks attorneys' fees, costs and expenses for legal work on an administrative hearing under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act ("IDEA"), 20 U.S.C. §1400, *et seq.*, as well as for this action.

We are respectfully asking for an adjournment of the in-person Initial Conference currently scheduled for February 2, 2024 at 10 AM before Your Honor or permission for the parties to appear virtually. Plaintiff consents to this request. The request is on a personal basis as I am out of state due to my father's death. We have made a final offer and if not accepted, the parties propose the submission of a briefing schedule.

The parties thank the Court for considering this submission.

Respectfully Submitted,

By: /s/ Vivian Rivera Drohan  
Vivian Rivera Drohan, Esq.

cc: Irina Roller, Esq. (via ECF)

Application GRANTED. The Initial Pretrial Conference scheduled for Friday, February 2, 2024, at 10:00 A.M. is ADJOURNED to **Friday, February 16, 2024, at 10:00 A.M.** The parties are reminded that they must be prepared to (a) discuss whether referral to the assigned magistrate judge or the court-annexed mediation program would be beneficial, and (b) propose a briefing schedule for Plaintiff's anticipated summary judgment motion.

SO ORDERED.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Valerie Caproni", is written over the printed name.

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HON. VALERIE CAPRONI  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE